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Sir:

In paragraphs numbered 5 and 7 of the February 14, 2001 Office Action, the Examiner rejects certain claims on "Ruggiero (US 4,878,770)".

However, there is no such reference of record.

Please correct the Office Action and restart the term. Thanks.

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